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April 30, 2002

Honorable Felix J. Boudreaux  
Commissioner of Conservation  
State of Louisiana  
Post Office Box 44275  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Hosston Formation, Reservoir A; and Cotton Valley  
Formation, Reservoir A; HOLLY FIELD, DeSoto  
Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

EL PASO PRODUCTION COMPANY ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston Formation, Reservoir A; and to the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A; all in the Holly Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana:

1. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize three (3) additional alternate unit wells for HOSS RA SU14 at the locations shown on an attached plat.
2. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize three (3) additional alternate unit wells for HOSS RA SU23 at the locations shown on an attached plat, with one of said locations being in lieu of the location approved by Office of Conservation Order No. 88-D-65, effective April 17, 2001.
3. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize an additional alternate unit well for HOSS RA SU24 at the location shown on an attached plat.
4. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize two (2) additional alternate unit wells for HOSS RA SU31 at the locations shown on an attached plat.
5. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize an additional alternate unit well for HOSS RA SU36 at the location shown on an attached plat.
6. To approve an exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 88-D, effective February 1, 1975, for any of the above described wells, the location of which, as shown on the attached plats, does not comply with the well location provisions of said Order.
7. To find that each of the proposed alternate unit wells is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, underlying the unit on which it is proposed to be drilled which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on such unit.
8. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize a unit well for CV RA SUL at the location shown on an attached plat, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 88-E, effective August 1, 1975.
9. To permit Applicant to combine downhole in the proposed unit well for CV RA SUL production from the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, with production from the Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, pursuant to the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 88-2, effective May 26, 1976.

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10. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the Holly Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, is defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 88-D, effective February 1, 1975. The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Holly Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, is defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 88-E, effective August 1, 1975.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

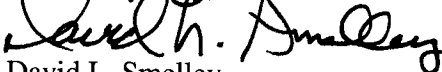
As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter, and of each of the attached plats, is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and of the enclosed plats at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Holly Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee.

Yours very truly,



David L. Smelley  
Attorney for El Paso Production Company

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DLS:dp  
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)  
Mr. Paul Eschete (w/encls.)  
Mr. Gary Griffith (w/encls.)  
Ms. Shirley Galik (w/encls.)  
Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.)  
Interested Owners, Represented Parties  
and Interested Parties (w/copy of plats only)



32  
HOSS RA SU 20

PLACED ON  
COOK  
10400

HOSS RA SU 33

EL PASO  
HAYNES  
10400

EL PASO  
BLUFORD 5  
2-ALT

EL PASO  
BLUFORD  
1-ALT

EL PASO  
A V YOUNG 5  
5200

EL PASO  
BRAMBLETT  
7-ALT

HOSS RA SU 35

EL PASO  
BRAMBLETT  
3-ALT

EL PASO  
BRAMBLETT  
6-ALT

EL PASO  
HOBEL  
1-ALT

HOSS RA SU NM  
(BETHANY-LONGSTREET FIELD)

14N14W 33

HOSS RA SU 21

EL PASO  
COOK  
5200

EL PASO  
MALONE  
5-ALT

EL PASO  
MALONE  
5-ALT

EL PASO  
CHARTER HENS  
1-ALT

EL PASO  
CHARTER HENS  
2-ALT

EL PASO  
CHARTER HENS  
6-ALT

EL PASO  
CHARTER HENS  
3-ALT

EL PASO  
CHARTER HENS  
5-ALT

EL PASO  
CHARTER HENS  
4-ALT

EL PASO  
CHARTER HENS  
5-ALT

HOSS RA SU 36

EL PASO  
YOUNG  
5-ALT

EL PASO  
JORDAN  
10400

EL PASO  
FRANKLIN  
5-ALT

EL PASO  
BLAKE 10  
1

HOSS RA SU 37

EL PASO  
JORDAN  
10400

HOSS RA SU 31

EL PASO  
FRANKLIN  
A-3 ALT

EL PASO  
FRANKLIN  
A-4 ALT

EL PASO  
CHARTER HENS  
1-ALT

EL PASO  
CHARTER HENS  
2-ALT

EL PASO  
CHARTER HENS  
3-ALT

HOSS RA SU 38

HOSS RA SU 22

EL PASO  
EDWARDS HENS A  
10200

EL PASO  
EDWARDS HENS  
10200

EL PASO  
HORTON HENS 35  
5700

HOSS RA SU 23

EL PASO  
ROCHELLE FULLER  
2-ALT

EL PASO  
ROCHELLE FULLER  
3-ALT

HOSS RA SU 30

EL PASO  
WILMAMETTE 2  
1-ALT

EL PASO  
JAMES B GRIFFITH  
10200

# LEGEND

HOSSON RA UNITS  
AS PER 88-D SERIES

UNIT WELL

ALTERNATE UNIT WELL

PROPOSED ALTERNATE UNIT WELL

WELLS 7000' OR SHALLOWER  
REMOVED FROM BASE

EXHIBIT NO.

DOCKET NOS. 02-



Onshore Development  
Houston, Texas

HOLLY FIELD

DESOTO PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED ALTERNATE UNIT WELL PLAT  
HOSS RA SU 31 & 36

0' 1000' 2000' 4000'

LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

HOLL 1726.DGN

